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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

January 23, 2001

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of this application, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please delete the Abstract in its entirety and replace it with the new Abstract of the Disclosure attached at the end of this Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification as it relates to the attached English Language Translation.

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Please delete the header "Heimann Systems GmbH" and "E.HS.0200.DE Die/SP";

Please delete the date;

After the Title of the application insert the following header and subheader:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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FIELD OF THE INVENTION--;

Before line 4, insert the following subheader:

--RELATED ART--;

Before Line 13, insert the following header:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

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Before line 12, insert the following header:

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--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.

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Before line 1, insert the following header:

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--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS---

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows: